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AFRL awards contract to Turin Construction firm

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ROME, N.Y. — The Air Force Research Laboratory's Information Directorate has awarded a \$718,480 contract to Phase 4 Builders Inc. of Turin for air conditioning-related work in Building 3 at the Griffiss Business & Technology Park.

"Phase 4 Builders will perform a variety of tasks related to the chilled water distribution system in Building 3, including installation of air conditioning pumps and piping, as well as relocating the large condensers in front of the facility on Brooks Road," said Alan C. Jones of the directorate's Operational Contracting Branch.

Relocation of the large condensers will permit a common

façade in relation to the \$19.7 million Information Research Facility being constructed on an adjacent parcel of land. The new facility is expected to be completed by late summer 2003.

"The solicitation utilized a sealed bid process and was set-aside by statute for Small Business Administration-certified HUBZone (Historically Underutilized Business Zone) businesses," said Jones. Phase 4 Builders, Inc., a certified HUBZone program participant, was one of three such businesses to submit a bid. We anticipate that some future projects at the AFRL Rome Research Site will be solicited using the HUBZone program." @